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1 FOR THE RECORD, EMBASSY WISHES TO POINT OUT THAT RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ AND SWEDISH AMBASSADOR ARE CORRECT IN THAT THERE WAS NO FORMAL SIGNED LETTER FROM CASTRO TO PALME ON GOC INTENTIONS VIS-A-VIS ANGOLA. EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING, WHICH IS BASED ON COMMENTS PROVIDED IN MAY 1976 BY THEN MFA SECGEN SVERKER ASTROM, IS AS FOLLOWS: RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ IN APRIL 1976 IN MOSCOW TRANSMITTED TO CUBAN AMBASSADOR TO SWEDEN OSCAR E. ALLCALDE-VALLS, WHO WAS ALSO VISITING MOSCOW, A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM CASTRO TO PALME. ON APRIL 30 ALCALDE CALLED ON PALME AND VERBALLY DELIVERED CASTRO'S MESSAGE. THE ORAL MESSAGE WAS TRANSCRIBED AT THAT TIME BY PALME'S ASSISTANT (AND NOW SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY) PIERRE SCHORI. THE "MESSAGE" WAS LATER PASSED TO EMBASSY BY ASTROM ALONG WITH REQUEST FROM PALME THAT MESSAGE BE DELIVERED TO SECRETARY KISSINGER, WHICH WAS ACCOMPLISHED, IN ENGLISH TRANSLATION, ON MAY 25, 1976.

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2. SWEDISH PRESS LEAKS IN MAY 1976 DESCRIBED "MESSAGE" AS "LETTER" AND RECORD INDICATES NEITHER PALME NOR SCHORI NOR OTHER GOS OFFICIALS TOOK INITIATIVE, AT LEAST PUBLICLY, TO CLARIFY DISTINCTION.
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